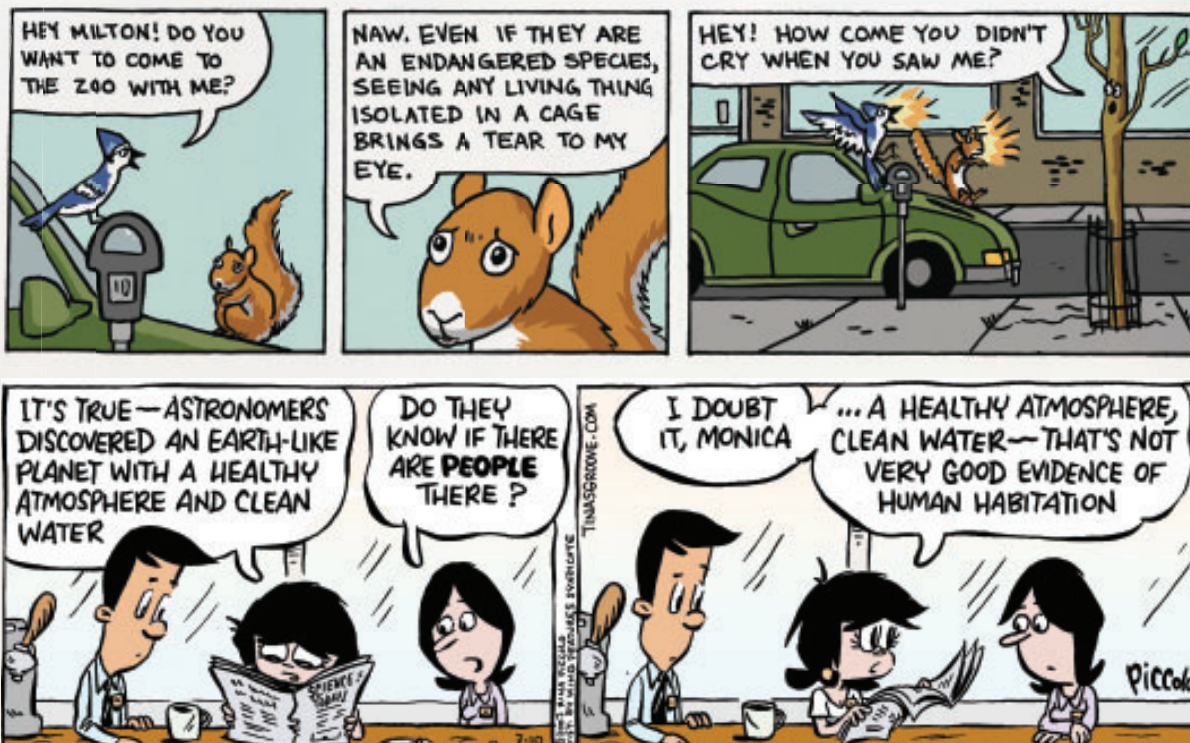


GETTING A CHUCKLE FROM THE ENVIRONMENT



"Of course our company cares about the environment! We just switched our entire factory to energy-efficient bulbs."

LINKING TO LITERACY

Text Genres: The Comic Strip

Comic strips can be written as very sophisticated texts. They require readers to make connections between illustrations, text, and what they already know about a topic. Sometimes a message is hidden and the reader must "read between the lines," or make an inference to figure out the comic strip's meaning.

Read each of the comic strips on this page.

- 1 How does the cartoonist use humour in each comic strip?
- 2 Read the words in the last comic strip. What message does the written text give you? How does the picture help you to "read between the lines" to see a different message?
- 3 What is Milton's opinion of zoos? Whose point of view might be in favour of the benefits of zoos?